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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Yoshiyuki SUMITOMO

Art Unit: 3754

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.